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Date: January 12, 2004

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Sir:

In re application of: Ralf Oberbeck et al.
Entitled: ACTUATION DEVICE FOR VEHICLE SEATS

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The following checked items are applicable:

[X] A Petition for Extension of Time for 1 month is hereby made, under §1.136(a); a check in the amount of \$110 is enclosed per §1.17.

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CLAIMS AFTER AMENDMENT:	MINUS PRIOR PAID CLAIMS:	EQUALS PRESENT EXTRA CLAIMS:	RATE:	ADDITIONAL FEE:
Independent 3	- 3	= 0	x \$86.00 =	0
Total 15	- 20	= 0.	x \$18.00 =	0
[] Multiple Dependent Claims (1st presentation)				+ \$280.00 = 0
SUBTOTAL ADDITIONAL CLAIM FEE				0
Small Entity filing, divide by 1/2.				
TOTAL ADDITIONAL CLAIM FEE				0

- [X] No additional claim fee.
[] The claim fee has been calculated above; check number ____ in the amount of \$____ is enclosed.
[X] In the event a Petition for Extension of Time is required by this paper and not otherwise provided, such Petition is hereby made and authorization is provided herewith to charge Deposit Account No. 02-3285 for the cost of such extension.
[X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees under §1.16 associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-3285.

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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner of Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA, 22313-1450

Dear Sir or Madam:

In response to the Office Action dated September 10, 2003,
please consider the following and amend the above-identified
Patent Application as follows:

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the Listing of
Claims, which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.